

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Patent Application of: Marc SCHAEPKENS *et al.*

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Title: COMPOSITE ARTICLES HAVING DIFFUSION BARRIERS AND  
DEVICES INCORPORATING THE SAME

**RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF**

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Sir:

In response to the Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief mailed on July 13, 2009:

Please replace Section III. Status of the Claims with the following:

**III. Status of Claims**

Claims 1, 4-8, and 11-15 are pending in the present application. Claims 2, 3, 9 and 10 have been cancelled. Claims 1, 4-8, and 11-15 stands rejected, and their rejection is hereby appealed. Claims 16-26 are withdrawn from consideration.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment of **Deposit Account No. 04-1679**.

Respectfully Submitted,

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